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Spring Abounds with Colorado Herbs

LAKEWOOD, Colo. – Each month, the Colorado Department of Agriculture features a different commodity to highlight the variety and quality of products grown, raised or processed in the state. This month, Colorado herbs are featured in the **Chimichurri Sauce** recipe.

Available Now...Herbs

Colorado produces a variety of greenhouse herbs including basil, dill, mint, oregano, rosemary and thyme. Fresh herbs add flavor to a variety of recipes. In addition to herbs, Colorado's greenhouses grow tomatoes, bedding plants and vegetables. Look for Colorado greenhouse herbs at local grocery stores and restaurants across the state.

Chimichurri Sauce

Chef Jason K. Morse, C.E.C., Executive Chef, Douglas County School District and 5280 Culinary, LLC

- 1 Cup Parsley, washed, drained and rough chopped
- 4 Garlic Cloves, minced
- 1/4 Cup Basil, washed, drained and rough chopped
- 1/2 Cup Olive Oil
- 1/4 Cup Red Wine Vinegar

Sea Salt To Taste

Smoked Black Pepper To Taste

Crushed Red Pepper Flakes To Taste

Place all ingredients except the oil into a mixing bowl. Add the oil slowly, using a hand blender to emulsify the mixture. The consistency should be chunky, so be sure not to puree the mixture. Adjust seasoning as desired.

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